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Applicant : Sha Ye et al.
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Examiner : Lynda C. Jasmin

Docket No. : PORTP007
Customer No. : 26541
Title : RATING BILLING EVENTS IN REAL TIME
ACCORDING TO ACCOUNT USAGE INFORMATION

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AMENDMENT B

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 16, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.